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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, mailed July 20, 2001, in connection with the above application. Please enter the following amendments:

# In the Specifications:

On page 3, line 25, after "hedgehog proteins." insert

-- Where C\* is a cysteine that may be modified, altered or substituted within another moiety or series of moieties as described herein;

| Xaa4 is either S or G; Xaa7 is either P or A; Xaa10 is either V or T; Xaa13 is either N or G; Xaa16 is either I or V; Xaa19 is either E or D; Xaa22 is either Q or E; Xaa25 is either L or V; Xaa28 is either S or A; Xaa31 is either N or S; Xaa34 is either A or N; Xaa37 is either S or A; | Kaa2 is either V, E or P Kaa5 is either R or K; Kaa8 is either R or K; Kaa11 is either A or L; Kaa14 is either P or A; Kaa17 is either A or S; Kaa20 is either T or V; Kaa23 is either D or E; Kaa26 is either E or Q; Kaa32 is either E or Q; Kaa32 is either L or M; Kaa35 is either V or I; Kaa38 is either E or D; Kaa41 is either K or R; and | Xaa3 is either G or V Xaa6 is either P, H or Y; Xaa9 is any amino acid; Xaa12 is either S, I or V Xaa15 is either Y or A; Xaa18 is either S, N or G; Xaa21 is either T or S; Xaa24 is either R or K; Xaa27 is either Q or M; Xaa30 is either E or D; Xaa33 is either K or R; Xaa36 is either C or V; Xaa39 is either H or N; Xaa42 is either T, S or A. |
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Additionally, please amend the face of Figure 2 to reflect that of the copy appended herein.

# **CONCLUSION**

The Examiner may address any questions raised by this submission to the undersigned at 617-951-7739. Should an extension of time be required, Applicants hereby petition for same and request that the extension fee and any other fee required for timely consideration of this application be charged to **Deposit Account No. 18-1945.** 

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